

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 334

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A RESOLUTION to recognize Lieutenant Detective Richard "Scott" Massey of the Lebanon Police Department on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that we should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their careers in law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Detective Richard "Scott" Massey of the Lebanon Police Department is one such estimable individual, who has devoted his life to the preservation of law and order and the protection of his fellow citizens, and has taken his well-deserved retirement after thirty years in law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, the son of Elizabeth Massey and the late Billy Joe Massey, Lieutenant Detective Scott Massey is a 1987 graduate of Lebanon High School and began his career with the Lebanon Police Department in December 1990 as a full-time patrol officer; and

WHEREAS, in 1998, he was promoted to detective and continued to rise through the ranks until his final promotion to lieutenant detective in October 2013, which rank he held until the time of his retirement on October 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, during his extensive career, Lieutenant Detective Massey performed his duties with acumen and alacrity, helping his fellow citizens in any way that he could and proving himself time and again to be a tremendous asset to the Lebanon Police Department; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Lieutenant Detective Massey received the 2012 Detective of the Year, 2014 Officer of the Year, and 2016 Supervisor of the Year awards; in 2017, U.S. Attorney Don Cochran presented him with the Award for Excellence in Law Enforcement by the U.S. Department of Justice, and in 2020, he received the FBI-LEEDA Leadership Trilogy Award; and

WHEREAS, an active part of his community, Lieutenant Detective Scott Massey is a charter member of the Fraternal Order of Police, Lebanon Lodge #83; and

WHEREAS, a devoted family man, Lieutenant Detective Massey is grateful for the love and support of his wife of nineteen years, Denise Comer Massey, and his three sons, Dalton Massey, Dylan Massey, and Chase (Charlie) Collinsworth; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Detective Richard Massey exemplifies the value of hard work, compassion, and devotion to community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean and diligent officer of the law; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Lieutenant Detective Massey has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the sincere respect and admiration of his colleagues, his fellow officers, and a grateful public; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Lieutenant Detective Richard "Scott" Massey of the Lebanon Police Department upon the occasion of his retirement, extending our gratitude for his many years of dedicated service to the residents of Lebanon and our best wishes for success in all his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.